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INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY GROUP MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 1977

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

1. TSCADS (Top Secret Control Automated Data System)

During the month of September, twelve (12) Top Secret Control inventories were initiated bringing the total inventories in progress to sixteen (16). The remaining twenty registries storing collateral Top Secret material will begin their inventories by 31 December 1977.

2. ADP Risk Assessment

The ADP Risk Assessment of the Agency's computer system began in late September. Information Systems Security Group personnel and the two independent contractors, assisting in the risk assessment, formulated a questionnaire and interviews of users of selected program applications have begun.

3. Profile Study of 1980 ISSO

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was signed effective 29 September and they started their study to define the role of the 1980 Information Systems Security officer and the expertise he will require to operate effectively.

TRAINING:

1. <u>Internal</u>

Two individuals from Information Systems Security Group attended a one day course in Interactive Systems sponsored by ODP. Extensive on-the-job training is being conducted within ISSG for the four newly assigned security officer.

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2. External

Two members of Information Systems Security Group, Programs Development Branch attended a Customer Executive Data Security Seminar at IBM, White Plains, N.Y., on 8 and 9 September. Of particular interest was a presentation on IBM's Resource Access Central Facility (RACF), which is a software program designed to improve control of data security.

LIAISON:

1. NSA

The Chief, Information Systems Security Group and the Chief, Programs Development Branch, ISSG attended a meeting with representatives of the National Security Agency to exchange ideas and concepts relating to computer security.

2. Internal Working Group

The ODP/OS Joint Working Group on Computer Security met on 20 September. Major items discussed were (a) devising an approval method for the destruction of disk packs, and (b) the relocation/reconfiguration of the ODP distribution point.

GENERAL:

1. Conference

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Information Systems Security Group has scheduled a working conference at from 2 - 4 November for the purpose of determining work requirements for 1978 and establishing priorities.

2. Terminal Installations

The Technical Support Branch, ISSG approved nine (9) requests for the installation and/or relocation of CRT remote terminals and other peripheral related devices.

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